

MINUTES OF THE AUSA EXECUTIVE MEETING. 21/03/2024



AUSA HOUSE | 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

PRESENT: *Alan Shaker (President, AUSA), Sarah White (Treasurer-Secretary, AUSA), Layba Zubair (EVP, AUSA), Jade Butler (EnVP, AUSA), Jennifer Setefano (WVP, AUSA), Yueyang Chen (ISO, AUSA), Ben Bonné (PGO, AUSA), Anna Sue (WRO), Luna Le Fay (QRO, AUSA), Andrea Vaai (PISO, AUSA), Jimah Ruland-Umata (MSO, AUSA), Te Tuhiwhakaura Wallace-Ihakara (MSO, AUSA).*

IN ATTENDANCE: David Fulton (GM, AUSA).

LATE:

APOLOGIES:

NOT PRESENT:

1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1.1. *Welcome and Karakia*

Chair welcomed everyone and thanked them for their punctuality. The new “AUSA Dice” for lateness is clearly working.

1.2. *Approvals of Leave*

No apologies were noted.

1.3. *Declarations of Interest*

No declarations of interest were disclosed.

1.4. *Check-ins*

- Exec did a round of check-ins.

2. MATTERS ARISING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1. *Matters arising.*

The chair went over the matters arising. All of which have been actioned.

- Inform the University about the slippery underpass.
- MSOs to discuss Balcony safety with Grace from Campus Life.

- Chair to inform Advisory Board Chair of the appointment of new AB member Rikita Singh.
- AB Agenda items - Exec to let Chair know.

2.2. Approval of previous minutes.

CHAIR/SETEFANO (WVP)

THAT the minutes of the AUSA Executive meeting held on Thursday, 7th March, to be adopted as a true and accurate record. **Carried unanimously.**

3. SLT MINUTES

CHAIR /RULAND-UMATA (MSO)

THAT the minutes of the AUSA SLT meeting held on Tuesday, 12th March 2024, to be adopted as a true and accurate record. **Carried unanimously.**

4. EXEC REPORTS

Each Executive discussed a highlight from February and upcoming plans for March. No questions about the reports were raised.

The overall highlights were Freshers, Alfreds and Executive Retreat!

5. STANDING AGENDA ITEM: HEALTH & SAFETY

- Blinds in the exec office don't entirely go down. This may be a safety issue as people can see the computer monitors through the window.
- Reminder to shut the exec office if no one else is there.
- C-Space heaters do not work.
- Elevators that go up to the Quad keep breaking.

ACTION: GM to follow up on working heaters in C Space and blinds in Executive Office.

6. STANDING AGENDA ITEM: ADVISORY BOARD

- Newly appointed Ritika Singh attended her first AB meeting on 20th March.
- 25 applicants for the Advisory Board positions.
- 4-5 applicants to catch up with the Chair over the next month.
- CVs to come to Exec for appointment.

CHAIR/VAAI (PISO)

THAT the Executive approves the reappointment of Mark Maloney to the AUSA Advisory Board for a term of three years. **Carried unanimously.**

ACTION: Chair to confirm reappointment to the AB Chair.

7. STANDING AGENDA ITEM: GM UPDATE

- Post-analysis of O-Week to come in the GM monthly report.
- Slightly over budget on Orientation, however, will be manageable.
- P&L tracking well overall.
- Buddies going through a reshuffle of staffing after Amy's departure. Events have been improved and off to a good start.
- Funding negotiations ongoing - GM met separately with Anne-Marie and Louise from Campus Life to discuss steps forward.
- Auditors will be in next month.
- Student Voice Coordinator Abhi has started her role. Na-young and Abhi to rotate on reception.
- Recruiting: Buddies Coordinator (part-time), Events Coordinator (part-time). Fixed-term contracts till 8 December.
- A staff union agreement has been signed.

8. CONSTITUTION REVIEW UPDATE

- Splitting of EVP role into PG and UG.
- Changing Welfare VP role into Equity & Wellbeing VP
- Creation of the Disability Rights Officer as a portfolio role on the Executive.
- Changing Treasurer-Secretary into Finance & Operations VP
- Advisory Board membership proposal increases to 10.
- AB power to call SGM - AB feedback was to not give them this power. Executive will need to reconsider whether they want to give such power to non-students and non-members.
- Fixing and clarifying the eligibility of candidates (e.g. Postgraduate students who are transitioning from UG to PG) and their ability to run for roles
- Craccum clauses to be updated.
- Student Council section to be updated
- Dispute resolution clauses to be added as part of the new Incorporated Societies Act requirements.
- Exec to approve changes at the next Executive Meeting.

QRO left at 3:55 pm.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- An opportunity to raise any other business not yet discussed. Please let the Treasurer/Secretary know ASAP.
- Exec Outing Friday 22nd March! You must bring your Student ID, please.

Meeting closed 3:59pm.

10. 95BFM TOUR

- The Exec is off to 95bFM for a tour!

11. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held in the AUSA House on Wednesday 3rd, April at 5 pm.

ACTIONS TABLE:

TASK	OWNER	DELEGATED/ OTHER INVOLVED	DEADLINE
GM to follow up on working heaters in C Space and Exec blinds.	GM		ASAP
Confirm reappointment to the AB Chair.	Chair		ASAP

SIGNED AS A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD



Alan Shaker, Chair of the AUSA Executive.